ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES FISHERY UPDATE



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JUNEAU HERRING UPDATE #3

The department conducted aerial surveys of Lynn Canal, Tenakee Inlet, and Seymour Canal today. Survey conditions were fair with northerly winds and sunny skies. In Berners Bay, approximately 90 sea lions and one whale were observed. The majority of the sea lions and the whale were just off the flats at the northern end of the bay, suggesting eulachon are staging in the area. No herring or herring spawn was observed.

In Tenakee Inlet, approximately 60 sea lions and 19 whales were observed concentrated between Kadashan and Crab Bay. Three schools of herring were observed along the Kadashan Flats. No herring spawn was observed.

In Seymour Canal, approximately 63 sea lions were observed, scattered in small groups between the Cloverleaf Rocks in Stephens Passage and the #9 Rock in Seymour Canal. One whale was observed in deep water. No herring or herring spawn was observed.

The next aerial survey of Tenakee Inlet is planned for Saturday, April 20.

2013 Seymour Canal Survey Summary

April 15 No herring activity, 60 sea lions. April 17 No herring activity, 68 sea lions.

April 19 No herring activity, 63 sea lions, one whale.

Juneau herring updates will be posted on the ADFG web site listed below.

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